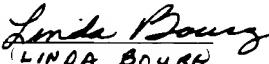


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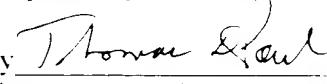
Dear Sir:

In response to the Notification of Missing Requirements Under 35 U.S.C. 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office mailed October 15, 2001, a copy of which is attached, Applicant respectfully submits the executed Declaration, a Power of Attorney (by Assignee), and an Assignment.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any necessary fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-2375, under Order No. HO-P02246US0. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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- Preliminary Amendments

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- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date

ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTH FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 22 or 32 MONTHS (where 37 CFR 1.495 applies) FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.

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